

Great Plains FHP

(Fish Habitat Partnership)



A Network Initiative
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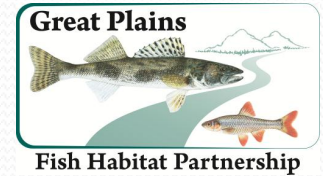


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- NFHAP – National Fish Habitat Action Plan
 - National strategy to reverse aquatic habitat degradation.
 - Organized in 2006.
 - National Strategy with Regional Implementation
- Great Plains Fish Habitat Partnership (FHP)
 - Regionalize habitat conservation delivery
 - Regional & Local partners
 - Regional & Local priorities

Great Plains FHP Managing by Network



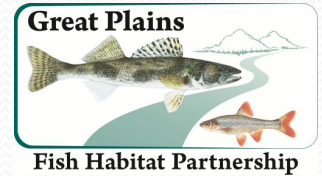
NFHAP Goal / Vision

- Protect intact habitats
- Prevent further degradation
- Reverse declines in the quality and quantity
- Increase quality and quantity of fish habitats that support a broad natural diversity of fish and aquatic species
- “PROTECT, RESTORE, ENHANCE”

GPFHP GOALS

- Physical Habitat
- Biological Community
- Water Quality and Quantity
- Local Level
- Watershed Level
- Partnership Development
- Outreach

Formal and Informal Networks



- **Partners with Volunteers Agreements**
 - States, Federal Agencies, NGO's

- **Partners With Assistance Agreements**
 - North Dakota Natural Resource Trust

- **Partners Under Contract**
 - Downstream Strategies

- **Partners With MOU**
 - North Dakota Natural Resource Trust

- **Potential Partners**
 - Landowner groups / associations, municipalities, county/ townships.

- **FHP Teams**
 - Science & Assessment
 - Planning & Prioritization
 - Outreach & Marketing
 - Partners Council



Stage of Network Development



What's the status of your network development:?

- ✓ Visioning
- ✓ Conceptual
- ✓ Research and Development
- ✓ Implementation Planning
- ✓ Active
- ✓ Evaluating

What are you doing at this stage to manage the network and move to the next stage?

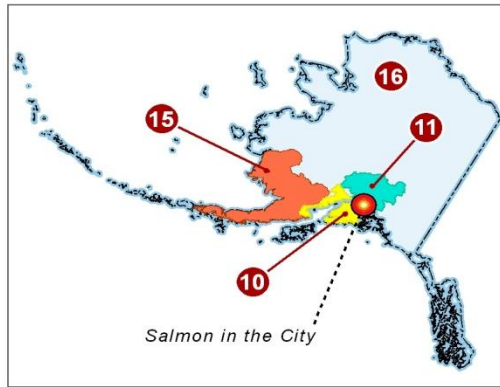
Maintain communication & Create Success and results that are useful to the partners and to aquatic habitat conservation.

Fish Habitat Partnerships

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NATIONAL
FISH HABITAT
ACTION PLAN



Salmon in the City

North American Salmon
Stronghold Partnership

Geographic/Species Based Partnerships

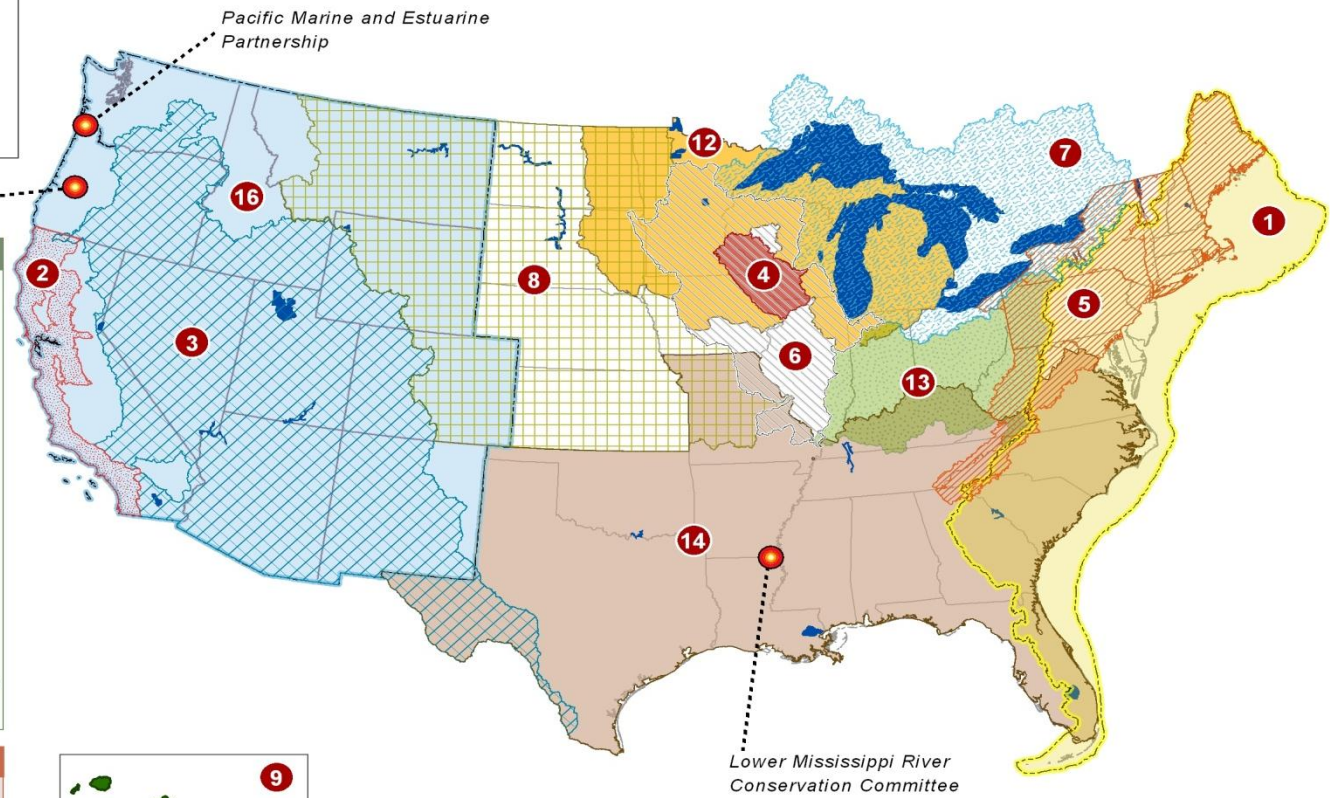
1. Atlantic Coastal FHP
2. California Fish Passage Forum
3. Desert FHP
4. Driftless Area Restoration Effort
5. Eastern Brook Trout Joint Venture
6. Fishers and Farmers Partnership
7. Great Lakes Basin FHP
8. Great Plains FHP
9. Hawaii FHP
10. Kenai Peninsula FHP
11. Mat-Su Basin Salmon Habitat Partnership
12. Midwest Glacial Lakes Partnership
13. Ohio River Basin FHP
14. Southeast Aquatic Resources Partnership
15. Southwest Alaska Salmon Habitat Partnership
16. Western Native Trout Initiative

System Based Partnership

Reservoir FHP



Denotes "Candidate"
Fish Habitat Partnership

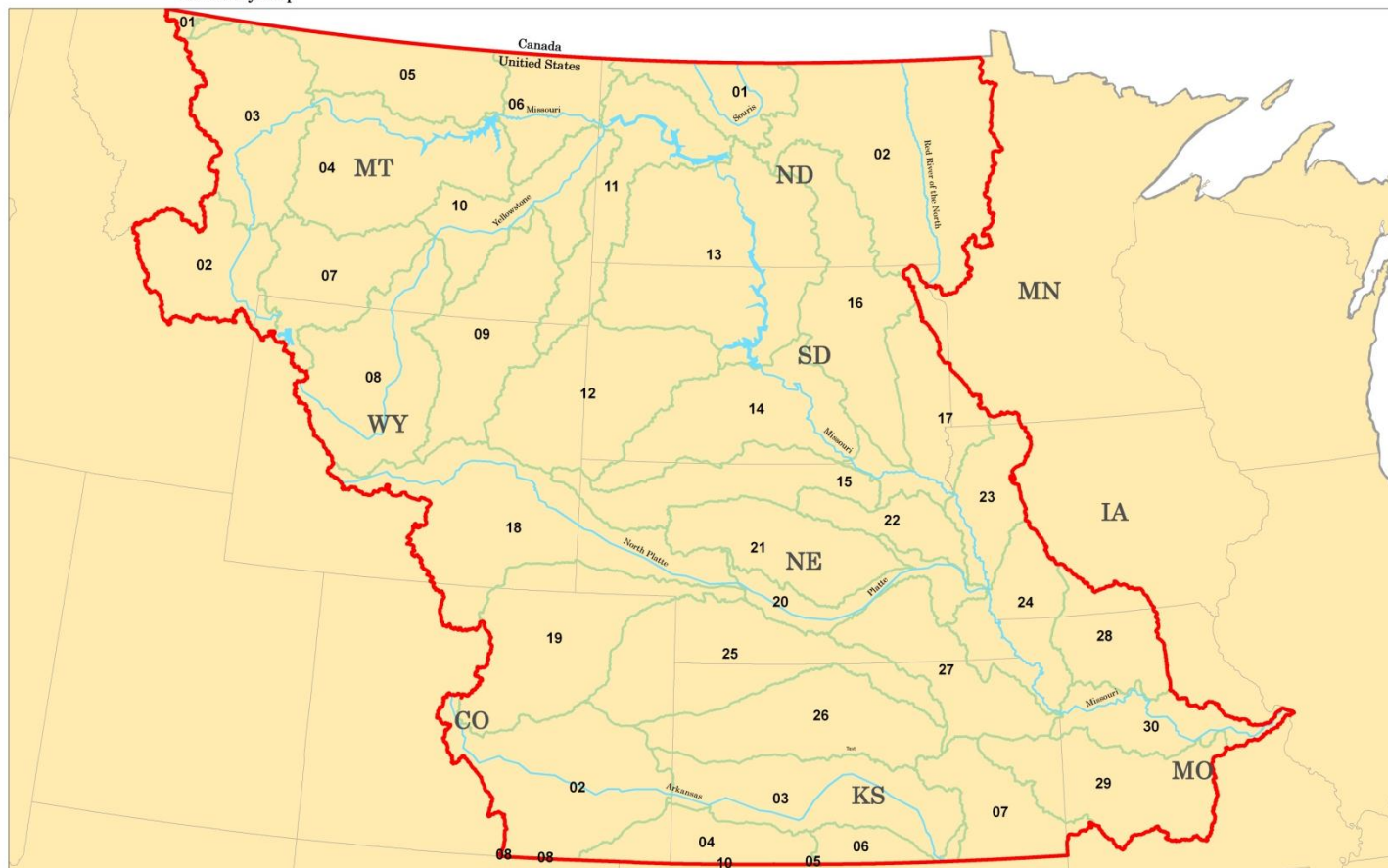




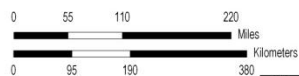
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Great Plains Fish Habitat Partnership Boundary Map

Hydrologic Units



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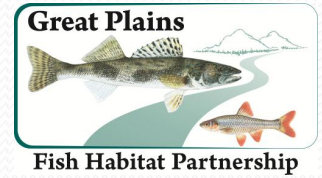
Map Features

- GPP FHP Boundary
- State Boundary
- Rivers & Streams
- 4 digit HUC

Map Location



Clarke 1866
Lambert Equal Area



Network Geography

Communities of Place, Identify and Interest

Where does your network operate?

Who benefits from the development of your network?

Agencies

States

Tribes

Landowners

Tax payers

Species

Recreational user

Communities

Townships

Counties



Not only fish rely on
healthy aquatic habitats





Typically the species of importance isn't well known.



Many of the important habitats are not even recognized.

Benefits of the Network



Present

1. List the current benefits of your network initiative
 1. Bringing issues to the table that can be discussed and resolved
 2. Putting together a working strategy that will be the model for future conservation
 3. Getting people to think about more effective conservation delivery
 4. Creating forum for agencies and public to continue learning from each other
 5. Highlighting species that may be having trouble to focus conservation

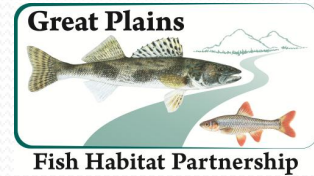
Future

1. List the future benefits of your network initiative
 1. More effective use of conservation dollars
 2. Developing strategic conservation to ensure progress
 3. Prevention of species listing
 4. Better informed partners / landowners
 5. More communication between partners

Evaluating Network Potential and Performance

	Evaluation Criteria	Comments
1	Advance strategic priorities of the agency	Not trying to change priorities, only find and educate
2	Leverages funding	Starting to put funding on the ground
3	Demonstrates big-picture thinking	Large landscape, ambitious goals
4	Demonstrates entrepreneurship	Unique approach with unconventional partners
5	Management of formal agreements and contracts	Trying to create efficiencies
6	Demonstrates effective external and internal communication	Needs development and further refinements

Lessons Learned About Network Management



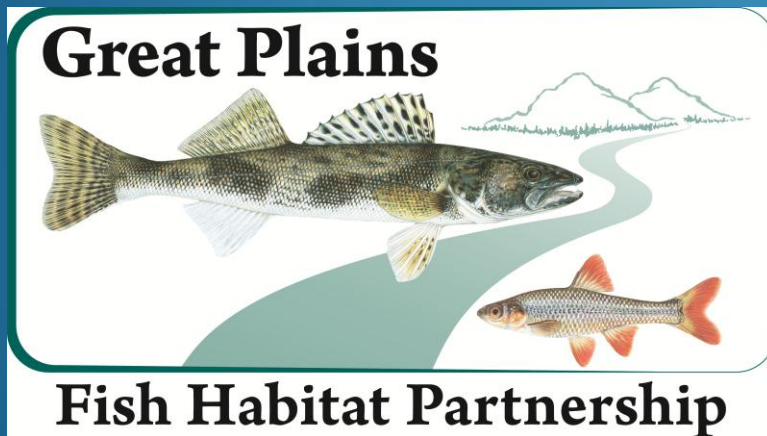
- List two to three lessons learned about network management that you wish to share with colleagues within your agency:
 - Ethics and the need for caution
 - FACA – Clearer understanding of the need

- List one to two lessons learned about network management that changed the way you interact with partners and community representatives:
 - Partners motivation
 - Ability to have multiple relationships to fit partners need



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